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ABC Suspends Alcoholic Beverage License of Store in Hollister

Alcohol Sales are prohibited during Suspension

(Hollister) - On Wednesday, February 15, 2017, ABC posted a Notice of Suspension at the Fairview Country Store located at 6509 Fairview Road in Hollister. The license is suspended for 25 days and will be placed on probation for the next three years for violations involving illegal gambling and illegal consumption of alcohol beyond the License privileges at the premises. Through the course of an undercover investigation, ABC Agents discovered the violations. If the licensee engages in similar violations during the probationary period additional suspensions of license privileges can occur.

Reducing illegal gambling is important. According to the National Council on Problem Gambling, unregulated gambling puts consumers at risk and results in social costs of approximately \$7 billion a year in the United States.

ABC protects communities through excellence in education and by administering prevention and enforcement programs designed to increase compliance with California's alcoholic beverage laws. ABC licensees and their employees are encouraged to take ABC's free three and a half hour LEAD training classes to help achieve higher compliance with alcoholic beverage laws. LEAD stands for Licensee Education on Alcohol and Drugs.

ABC's mission is to provide the highest level of service and public safety through licensing, education and enforcement. To learn more about ABC programs that help protect communities, prevent alcohol-related harm and potentially save lives visit https://www.abc.ca.gov/programs/programs_PE.html. ABC is a Department of the Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency.

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